

Citizens for NYC

Organization Description

Founded in 1975, Citizens for NYC (originally Citizens Committee for New York City) mobilizes New Yorkers to improve their neighborhoods in the areas of urban environment, safety, poverty, youth solutions and neighborhood diversity by providing grants, workshops, information and technical assistance to more than 12,000 grassroots volunteer groups throughout the city's five boroughs.

Project Description

Through its Neighborhood Leadership Institute, Citizens for NYC will assist leaders of neighborhood, block, tenant, youth and faith-based groups in their efforts to become more efficient and capable organizations working to improve the quality of life in New York City through extensive training and technical assistance offerings and sub-awards.

Geographic Scope of Project

Citizens for NYC will focus its work in the five boroughs of New York City.

Partnering Organizations

Citizens for NYC has partnered with the Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust and the New York Community Trust to provide matching funds for the project.

Sub-Awards

Citizens for NYC will issue 20 sub-awards up to \$5,000 each for a total of \$78,000. Priority will be given to organizations addressing issues such as homelessness, at-risk youth, poverty, and welfare-to-work.

Project Objectives

Specific project objectives include:

1. Conduct targeted outreach to diverse community and faith-based organizations;
2. Build the skills of at least 200 community leaders through eight workshops;
3. Provide hands-on technical assistance;
4. Provide financial support via sub-awards to at least 20 organizations;
5. Host three problem solving clinics centered around topics of concern;
6. Provide resources and how-to materials as reference tools;
7. Provide networking opportunities through conferences and forums.

Project Strategies

- Utilize the Neighborhood Leadership Institute to target diverse community and faith-based organizations and provide training and technical assistance to those organizations through an extensive workshop series, problem solving clinics, conferences, and "Meet the Grantmakers" forum;
- Provide 20 sub-awards to organizations selected through a competitive process;
- An Application Clinic will be offered to potential applicants as well as extensive TTA for selected sub-awardees, including workshop series, one-on-one technical assistance, and problem solving clinics.

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Grant Award Amount

\$312,348



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